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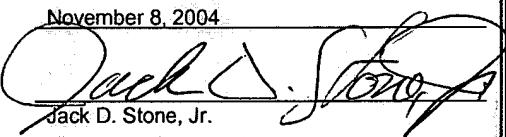
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated May 7, 2004, the time to respond to which has been extended to November 8, 2004, by a Petition for Extension of Time included herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 32 of this paper.